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To: Federal Maritime Commission

Expeditors International is in support of the request by Sinotrans Container Lines Co., Ltd. (Sinolines) to reduce its tariff rates upon publication. We ship a number of different types of commodities from Asia/Europe to the USA and this type of Tariff flexibility would help us develop business opportunities.

Having the ability to adjust rates will allow Sinolines to compete for real viable business opportunities for our company.

Thanks for your consideration

Respectfully

Scott M Kelly

Director of Ocean Cargo

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